

**DECISIONS SHOULD NOT BE IMPLEMENTED BEFORE
MONDAY 27 JUNE 2016**

CABINET
14 June 2016

PRESENT – Councillor Dixon (in the Chair); Councillors Copeland, Harker, C L B Hughes, McEwan, A J Scott and Wallis. (7)

INVITEES – Councillors Curry and Johnson. (2)

APOLOGIES – Councillors I G Haszeldine and Mrs H Scott. (2)

C1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – In respect of Minute C7(3) below, the Leader and Councillor Wallis declared pecuniary interests, as they were both Directors of the Durham Tees Valley Airport Board, and left the meeting during consideration of that item only, and Councillor Harker took the Chair during consideration of the item.

C2. REPRESENTATIONS – There were no representations made at the meeting from Members or members of the public in attendance.

C3 TIMES OF MEETINGS – RESOLVED – That meetings of this Cabinet be held at 5.00 pm for the remainder of the 2016/17 Municipal Year.

C4. MINUTES - Submitted - The Minutes (previously circulated) of the meeting of this Cabinet held on 3 May 2016.

RESOLVED - That the Minutes be confirmed.

REASON – They represent an accurate record of the meeting.

C5. MATTERS REFERRED TO CABINET - There were no matters referred back for reconsideration.

C6. ISSUES ARISING FROM SCRUTINY - There were no issues arising from Scrutiny considered at this meeting.

C7. KEY DECISIONS - (1) School Term Dates 2017/18 - The Cabinet Member with the Children and Young People Portfolio introduced the report of the Director of Children and Adults Services (previously circulated) requesting that consideration be given to the setting of school term date arrangements for Darlington Maintained Schools for the Academic Years 2017/18. The deadline for publishing the dates was the end of June 2016.

RESOLVED - That the Model School Term dates for Darlington Maintained schools for the 2017/18 Academic Year, as appended to the submitted report, be agreed.

REASON - The draft model is the one preferred by most schools, Governing Bodies and other interested parties in Darlington following the consultation exercise which ended on 27 May 2016.

(2) Children, Families and Learning Capital Programme 2016/17 - The Cabinet Member with the Children and Young People Portfolio introduced the report of the Director of Children and Adults Services (previously circulated) requesting that consideration be given to the proposed Children, Families and Learning Capital Programme for 2016/17 (also previously circulated) and releasing the capital funds in relation to that programme.

RESOLVED - (a) That the total School Condition Allocation of £515,756 be released and the proposed prioritised capital investment programme for maintained schools, as appended to the submitted report, with delegated authority to the Director of Children and Adult Services to manage the authorisation of this funding, be agreed.

(b) That the proposed Basic Need investment for St George's CE Academy, be agreed, to provide new primary places to meet projected demand in Middleton St George, with delegated authority to the Director of Children and Adult Services to manage the authorisation of this funding.

REASONS - (a) Release of the funds will enable capital investment to be undertaken in the areas identified with the greatest need, in terms of asset management priorities.

(b) The creation of new school places in Middleton St George's will support the LA meeting its statutory duty to provide a school place for every child resident in the borough.

(c) Detailed planning to identify priorities has been undertaken which ensures effective use of all investment.

(3) Durham Tees Valley Airport - The Cabinet Member with Economy and Regeneration Portfolio introduced the report of the Director of Economic Growth (previously circulated) updating Cabinet on progress made in relation to the proposals contained in the Master Plan for Durham Tees Valley Airport (DTVA) and highlighting developments regarding the required package of support now sought by Peel Group (Peel).

RESOLVED - (a) That the current position in respect of Durham Tees Valley Airport, as detailed in the submitted report, be noted and the risks, also as detailed in the submitted report, be acknowledged.

(b) That further proposal from Peel, as documented in the submitted report, be accepted.

(c) That the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Leader of the Council, be given delegated authority to finalise and agree the specific details of the Proposal and the basis upon which it is to be concluded and implemented, and the authority to execute all necessary or appropriate legal documentation in that respect on behalf of the Council.

REASONS – (a) DVTA is important for business as part of the local and regional transport infrastructure and in contributing to economic growth and development.

(b) The transfer of pension fund liabilities to the Tees Valley Local Authorities, in proportion to their DTVA shareholding, will assist the implementation of the master plan and the prospects for DVTA continued airport operations and future development.

(c) To support the desire of the Council and Tees Valley Local Authorities to keep DVTA open as an operational Airport

C8. REPRESENTATION ON OTHER BODIES 2016/17 - The Leader introduced the report of the Director of Neighbourhood Services and Resources (previously circulated) requesting that consideration be given to this Council's representation on other bodies for the 2016/17 Municipal Year, to which Cabinet appoints.

RESOLVED - That the appointments to the other bodies, as detailed below, for the 2016/17 Municipal Year, be approved:-

Name of Body or Organisation	Nomination(s)
Association of Rail North Partnership Authorities	Leader of the Council (Councillor Dixon)
Rail North	Leader of the Council (Councillor Dixon)
Transport for the North	Leader of the Council (Councillor Dixon)
Business Improvement District (BID) Board	Leader of the Council (Councillor Dixon)
Charitable Organisations for the Blind (COB)	Councillor Newall
Creative Darlington	Councillor Wallis (Cabinet Member with Leisure and Local Environment Portfolio) and Councillor Carson as named substitute
County Durham and Darlington Foundation Trust – Board of Governors	Councillor Copeland and Councillor A J Scott as named substitute
Darlington and District Youth and Community Association (2002)	Councillors Baldwin and Curry
Darlington Partnership Board	Leader of the Council (Councillor Dixon); Cabinet Member with Health and Partnerships Portfolio (Councillor A J Scott); and Cabinet Member with Children and Young

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	People Portfolio (Councillor C L B Hughes) and Councillor Mrs Scott (Leader of the Opposition)
Darlington Cares	Councillor McEwan (Cabinet Member with Economy and Regeneration Portfolio)
Darlington Railway Museum Trust	Cabinet Member with Leisure and Local Environment Portfolio (Councillor Wallis)
Durham County Pension Fund Committee	Cabinet Member with Efficiency and Resources Portfolio (Councillor Harker) and Chair of Efficiency and Resources Scrutiny Committee (Councillor I G Haszeldine)
Durham Tees Valley Airport Limited - Board	Councillor Dixon (Director) (Councillor Wallis as substitute Council Director)
Durham Tees Valley Airport Limited - Consultative Committee	Cabinet Member with Leisure and Local Environment Portfolio (Councillor Wallis)
Family Help Organisation	Councillors Kane, Newall and Curry
Family Placement Panel	Councillor Crumbie
Ground Work North East:	
Board	Cabinet Member with Leisure and Local Environment Portfolio (Councillor Wallis)
Sub-Regional Board	Cabinet Member with Leisure and Local Environment Portfolio (Councillor Wallis) and Cabinet Member with Health and Partnerships Portfolio (Councillor A J Scott)
Maidendale Nature and Fishing Reserve (Associate Member)	Councillor Dixon (Ward Member)
North East Regional Employers Organisation	Cabinet Member with Efficiency and Resources Portfolio (Councillor Harker), Chair of Efficiency and Resources Scrutiny Committee (Councillor I G Haszeldine) and Vice Chair of Efficiency and Resources Scrutiny Committee (Councillor Crumbie)
Executive Committee	Cabinet Member with Efficiency and Resources Portfolio (Councillor Harker)
Northern Housing Consortium	Cabinet Member with Adult Social Care and Housing Portfolio (Councillor Copeland)

Name of Body or Organisation	Nomination(s)
Northumbrian Regional Flood and Coastal Committee	Councillor Carson (Councillor McEwan as named substitute)
RELATE North East	Councillors Regan and Cartwright
Shadow South Tees Development Corporation	Councillor Dixon (Leader of the Council)
Shopmobility Steering Group	Cabinet Member with Leisure and Local Environment Portfolio (Councillor Wallis) and Cabinet Member with Health and Partnerships Portfolio (Councillor A J Scott)
Tees Valley Local Access Forum	Councillor Carson (Chair of Place Scrutiny Committee)
Tees Valley Rivers and Fisheries Association	Councillor I G Haszeldine
Tidy North Regional Consultative Committee	Cabinet Member with Leisure and Local Environment Portfolio (Councillor Wallis)

REASONS - To comply with the nominations received from the Political Groups.

C9. PROPOSED WRITE-OFF OF IRRECOVERABLE DEBTS - The Cabinet Member with the Efficiency and Resources Portfolio introduced the report of the Director of Neighbourhood Services and Resources (previously circulated) requesting that consideration be given to the write-off of sundry debtor invoices with individual values greater than £500 that are considered to be irrecoverable.

RESOLVED - That Sundry Debtor invoices over £500 to the value of £117,456 for 2015/16 be written-off, subject to further action if and when contacts are made.

REASONS - (a) It is considered all practical steps have been made to recover the debts.

(b) To enable the Council's accounts to be maintained in accordance with the Financial Procedure Rules.

C10. MEMBERSHIP CHANGES - There were no membership changes reported at the meeting.

C11. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC - RESOLVED - That, pursuant to Sections 100A(4) and (5) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the ensuing items on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in exclusion paragraph 3 of Part I of Schedule 12A to the Act.

C12. 30 STATION ROAD, DARLINGTON - LEASE SURRENDER AND DISPOSAL (EXCLUSION PARAGRAPH NO 3) - The Cabinet Member with the Efficiency and Resources Portfolio introduced the report of the Director of Economic Growth (previously circulated) requesting that consideration be given to the terms for the surrender of a lease by the existing leaseholder for 30 Station Road; declaring the property surplus to Council requirements; and authorising disposal on the open market by informal tender.

RESOLVED - (a) That the surrender of the lease to Sanctuary Housing Association be authorised, on the terms as detailed in the submitted report.

(b) That No. 30 Station Road be declared surplus to Council requirements and offered for sale by informal tender, with the Director of Economic Growth being authorised to conclude negotiations and complete the sale in consultation with the Cabinet Member with the Resources Portfolio.

(c) That the Assistant Director, Law and Governance, be authorised to document the lease surrender and sale of the property accordingly.

REASON - To achieve a capital receipt for the Council.

**DECISIONS DATED –
FRIDAY 17 JUNE 2016**